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REMARKS

Upon entry of this Second Preliminary Amendment, claims 2-13 will be pending. Claim 5 has been amended and new claim 13 has been added. Support for adding fludarabine to claim 5 can be found, for example, at page 39, lines 20 and 41. Support for new claim 13 can be found throughout the specification, for example, at page 42, lines 19-23. Therefore, no new matter has been added by reason of this amendment.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe that the entire application is in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested.

It is believed that no additional fee is due for filing this amendment. If, however, any fee should become due or credit become payable during the pendency of these proceedings, the Examiner is authorized to charge or credit the same to deposit account number 50-1273.

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES

Claims 5 was amended as follows with the noted changes:

5. (Amended) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 2, wherein MH is selected from penciclovir, 3TC, ACV, PMPA, araC, ribavirin, fludarabine, and 5-fluoro-2'-deoxyuridine.